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February 16, 1999

Magalie Roman Salas, Esquire Secretary Federal Communications Commission Room 222 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for La Jara, Colorado.

Sincerely,

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President

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PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 221A (92.1 Mhz) to La Jara, Colorado as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 221A (92.1 Mhz) to La Jara and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 221A to La Jara will have.

DISCUSSION

2. La Jara is located in South Central Colorado. It is also located within Conejos County, a county of some 7,453 persons. La Jara has a population of 725 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 221A to La Jara will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to La Jara is located at Alamosa, Colorado. Alamosa is located 23 kilometers from La Jara.

It is obvious that from the above spacing that La Jara is presently without local FM service.

- 4. La Jara would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 23 Kilometers of La Jara. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the La Jara area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.
- 5. Channel 221A can be allotted to La Jara and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	Proposed	
La Jara, Colorado		221A	

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 221A and the pertinent adjacent channels to 221A have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 37 - 16' - 14", W. 105 - 57' - 07") are that of a site located within the community of La Jara. No site restriction will be required to allot channel 221A to La Jara. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of La Jara. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

- 7. It has been shown that La Jara would benefit from the allotment of channel 221A. It has also been shown that channel 221A can be allotted to La Jara and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 221A for La Jara, Colorado, 73.202.
- 8. Should channel 221A be allotted to La Jara, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for La Jara, Colorado.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated:

February 10, 1999

Respectfully submitted,

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MAPFM search of channel 221A6 (92.1 MHz), at N. 37 16 14, W. 105 57 7.

Searching Channel 221A6 (92.1	MH2):					
CALL CITY		IN CL	S DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
KRCC Colorado Springs			L 189.6	75.0	30.3°	114.6
KFLQ Albuquerque	NM 21		L 232.5	95.0	191.1°	137.5
K219CF Del Norte, etc.	CO 21		L 100.3	0.0	350.9°	100.3
K219CP Trinidad			L 128.6	0.0	96.2°	128.6
KOTO Telluride			L 181.7	31.0	293.9°	150.7
K220GW Parkdale	CO 22	20 D 0	C 149.3	0.0	22.3°	149.3
KCFP Pueblo	CO 22	20 A 1	L 173.1	72.0	45.0°	101.1
KDUR Durango	CO 22	20 A 1	L 169.8	72.0	270.2°	97.8
K220AV Taos	NM 22	20 D 1	L 103.5	0.0	159.4°	103.5
ALC La Junta	CO 22	21 C3 Y	V 225.0	142.0	69.3°	83.0
ALC Castle Rock	CO 22	21 C2 1	U 247.8	166.0	16.1°	81.8
KBLJ La Junta				115.0	69.3°	110.0
KJMN Castle Rock	CO 22	21 C2 1	L 264.3	166.0	25.4°	98.3
ALC Salida	CO 22	22 C3 T	U 137.4	89.0	357.4°	48.4
ALC Grand Junction	CO 22		-	165.0	311.4°	140.2
KJYE Grand Junction	CO 22	22 C	L 315.7		309.2°	150.7
KVRHFM Salida			L 137.4	89.0	357.4°	48.4
ALC Albuquerque	NM 22			165.0	191.1°	67.4
KRST Albuquerque	NM 22		L 232.4		191.1°	67.4
ALC Trinidad	CO 22	23 C1 1	U 128.6	75.0	96.2°	53.6
K223AF Pagosa Springs	CO 22	23 D 2	A 102.1	0.0	265.1°	102.1
K223AF Pagosa Springs	CO 22	23 D]	L 93.1	0.0	269.3°	93.1
KCRTFM Trinidad	CO 22		L 135.0	75.0	103.2°	60.0
KAZX Kirtland	NM 27	75 C (C 179.9	28.0	253.7°	151.9

FIGURE 1
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING
LA JARA, COLORADO